

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Minoru SATO, et al. ) : Examiner: Robert B. Beatty  
Appln. No.: 10/718,790 ) : Group Art Unit: 2852  
Filed: November 24, 2003 ) : Confirmation No. 1578  
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METHODS :  
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**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Amendment

Sir:

In response to the July 20, 2006 Office Action, please amend the application as follows.